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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This paper is a Preliminary Amendment for the U.S. national phase filing of PCT/EP00/01397 filed herewith as a new patent application under 35 U.S.C. § 371. Please enter this Preliminary Amendment and amend the accompanying application as follows.

IN THE ABSTRACT:

*Please cancel the Abstract section that was originally filed, entitled "Summary" and substitute the new ABSTRACT.*